March 16, 2014 – Second Sunday in Lent

Opening Prayer
God, as we enter into a time of worship today we ask that your Spirit come dance among us. Let her breeze cool our fears, let her breath comfort us like a mother. Let her strength be a strong gust that offers strength to us. Allow the current of the breath of God to reach our senses as we open our hearts to a time of worship with you. Amen.

Call to Worship
(Based on Psalm 121)
One: I lift up my eyes to the hills—from where will my help come?
All: My help comes from God, who made heaven and earth.
One: She will not let your foot be moved; She who keeps you will not slumber.
All: She who keeps Israel will neither slumber nor sleep.
One: God is your keeper; God is your shade at your right hand.
All: The sun shall not strike you by day, nor the moon by night.
One: God will keep you from all evil; She will keep your life.
All: God will keep your going out and your coming in from this time on and forevermore.

Prayer of Confession
God, we know that we are in dire need of change. We need the waters of your womb to transform us. We need your Spirit to bring us rebirth. We often come to you saying that we are ready to be made anew by your power, while offering a list of all of the things that we refuse to let go of. We say we want heavenly things, while putting our faith into earthly things. We want life eternal while we clutch desperately to false comforts of this broken existence. Forgive us, God of the new womb, Creator of new life, that we may be remade in your image. God we pray that your desires may become our own, through your grace and your power. Amen.